

GROUND FLOOR Equestrian Armou Armour of Sir Thomas King Louis XIV Possibly Ulrich Rambs. Sackville, Lord Buckhurst Flint-Lock Pistols Giovanni Mazzaroli Jacob Halder, Royal Workshop Unknown Maker (1688 and 1853-44) (about 1485) (about 1659-60) Greenwich (about 1587) Arms and Arms and Armour III Armour IV Incense Burners China (probably Qianlong period 1736-95) Wine Cooler Smoking Restaurant and Café Arms Workshop of Room (about 1500) and Flaminio Fontana Armour Gold Cups of Eternal Stability The Good Shepherd 金斯永固杯 Sri Lanka or India (Goa) Beijing, China (about 1600) (Probably 1739-40 Billiard Dining and 1740-41) Arms and Room Room Back 16th-State Century Armour Room Gallery Trophy Head Miniature Triptych Asante (Ghana) Adam Dircksz (18th or 19th and Workshop century) (about 1500-30) Front House-State keeper's Shop Hall Room Room Marguerite de France as Minerva Jewelled Dagger Entrance Jean de Court North India (about 1615) Garniture of Louis XV's Chest of Drawers The Borghese Dancers Wardrobe Antoine-Robert Gaudreaus Cast by Henri Perlan Attributed to Three Vases and Jacques Caffiéri Manufacture

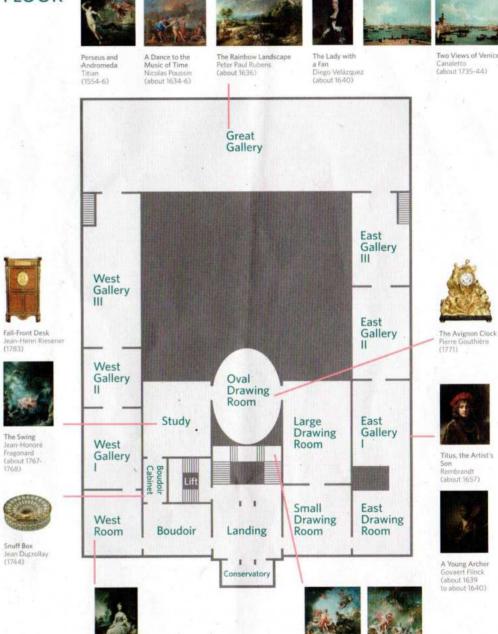
André-Charles Boulle

de Sevres

(1758)

(1642-3)

FIRST FLOOR



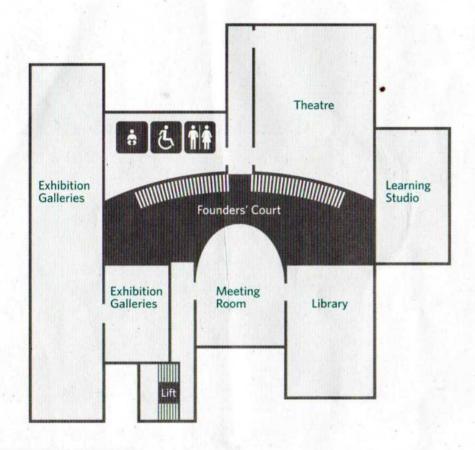
Mrs Mary Robinson

Thomas Gainsborough

(Perdita)

The Rising of the Sun and The Setting of the Sun François Boucher (1753 and 1752)

LOWER GROUND FLOOR



EXHIBITION GALLERIES



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Ranjit Singh: Sikh, Warrior, King presents glittering weaponry, intricate miniature paintings and exquisite jewellery, drawn from public and private collections.

FIND YOUR WAY

GROUND FLOOR

Billiard Room

Louis XIV and the arts

Dining Room

French 18th-century portraits

Back State Room

Louis XV and Madame de Pompadour

Front State Room

The grand London townhouse

16th-Century Gallery

Medieval and Renaissance paintings and decorative arts

Smoking Room

Medieval, Renaissance and Baroque works of art Arms and Armour Gallery I World arms and armour and decorative arts

Arms and Armour Gallery II European Medieval and

Renaissance arms and armour

Arms and Armour Gallery III European Renaissance arms and armour

Arms and Armour Gallery IV Later European arms and armour

FIRST FLOOR

Landing

Madame de Pompadour and Boucher

Boudoir

Greuze and Reynolds

Boudoir Cabinet

Miniatures and gold boxes

Study

Marie-Antoinette, Riesener

and Fragonard

Oval Drawing Room

Boucher and Riesener

Large Drawing Room Boulle and his legacy

Small Drawing Room Watteau and the Rococo

East Drawing Room
Flemish Baroque paintings

East Gallery I

Rembrandt and his time

East Gallery II

Dutch genre paintings

East Gallery III

Dutch Italianate paintings

Great Gallery

Old Master paintings and

sculptures

West Room

British 18th-century portraits

West Gallery I

Venetian view painting

West Gallery II

Bonington and Delacroix

West Gallery III

19th-century paintings and Napoleonica

WELCOME TO THE WALLACE COLLECTION

We are a national museum housing masterpieces of decorative art, painting, sculpture, and arms and armour.

Built over the 18th and 19th centuries by the Marquesses of Hertford and Sir Richard Wallace, our collection is one of the finest and most celebrated in the world. It was given to the British nation in 1897 by Sir Richard's wife, Amélie, so that it could be kept together and enjoyed by generations of visitors. It was an astonishing bequest and one of the greatest gifts of artworks ever to be transferred into public ownership.

Sir Richard Wallace renovated and extended Hertford House to accommodate his ever-expanding collection. After the 1897 bequest, the rooms were converted into museum galleries and the Wallace Collection was born. Galleries replaced the stabling, coach-houses and smoking room. Many substantial changes have been made since the museum opened in 1900.

Today, we care for the collection through research and conservation, and preserve it for future generations. Our aim is to share the collection with as broad an audience as possible.

To discover more about the collection and its history, and to hear over 100 commentaries on our highlight objects, scan the QR code to download the free Bloomberg Connects app and access our digital guide.



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OUR FOUNDERS

FRANCIS SEYMOUR-CONWAY 1st Marquess of Hertford (1719-1794)

The 1st Marquess of Hertford was ambassador to France and began the family's close association with the Royal Household. He acquired paintings by Canaletto, and commissioned family portraits from Joshua Reynolds.

FRANCIS INGRAM SEYMOUR-CONWAY 2nd Marquess of Hertford (1743-1822)

Like his father, the 2nd Marquess of Hertford was a courtier and diplomat. He was gifted Gainsborough's portrait of the actress Mary Robinson by the Prince of Wales, later George IV. He also acquired portraits by Joshua Reynolds and George Romney.

FRANCIS SEYMOUR-CONWAY 3rd Marquess of Hertford (1777–1842)

The 3rd Marquess of Hertford was a major contributor to the collection. His marriage to Maria Fagnani brought him great wealth, which he used to fund a flamboyant lifestyle and to collect 18th-century French decorative art, 17th-century Dutch paintings, and French and Italian sculpture.

RICHARD SEYMOUR-CONWAY 4th Marquess of Hertford (1800-1870)

Though born in London, the 4th Marquess spent most of his life in Paris where he focused on collecting. Able to outbid any competition, he sought out works of art with illustrious provenance, including French 18th-century decorative art and sculpture, paintings and arms and armour.



The 1st Marquess of Hertford, John Watts, after Joshua Reynolds, 1785 (National Portrait Gallery, NPG D19245)



The 2nd Marquess of Hertford, Francis Chantrey, 1825



The 3rd Marquess of Hertford, Henry Bone, 1824



The 4th Marquess of Hertford, Étienne Cariat, about 1860



Sir Richard Wallace, John Thomson, about 1888



Lady Wallace, unknown photographer, probably early 1890s

SIR RICHARD WALLACE (1818-1890)

Sir Richard Wallace was born in London but grew up in Paris. He worked as an art agent for the 4th Marquess of Hertford. In 1870 he inherited Hertford's collection, to which he added European arms and armour and medieval and Renaissance works of art.

LADY WALLACE (1819-1897)

Julie Amélie Charlotte Castelnau was born in humble circumstances in Paris but moved to England after marrying Richard Wallace in 1871. She shared her husband's interest in philanthropy. She bequeathed the Collection to the British nation in 1897.

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